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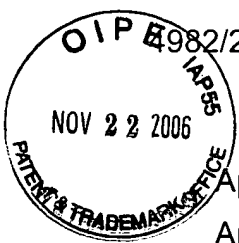
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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in the Notice of Allowance mailed August 24, 2006.

With reference to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanying the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner states that the prior art of record does not teach:

[T]he management server controls the media agent to monitor for the addition or removal of a piece of media in the storage device, and wherein the management server is further configured to determine if the piece of media is either bar coded or non-bar coded; and when a non-bar coded piece of media has been added to the storage device or removed from the storage device, the media agent causes the storage device to read a media label stored as data in the non-bar coded piece of media, the media label including an identifier identifying the non-bar coded piece of media, wherein the storage device returns the piece of media to a slot in the storage device, and wherein the management server stores the identifier in the database in association with an indication of the slot.

Applicant notes that the above description is recited in independent Claim 1. To the extent that there is any implication that the patentability of the other independent

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claims (i.e., Claims 4, 5, 9, 12, 13 and 21), and their respective dependent claims, rests on the Examiner's description of Claim 1, Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's Statement.

In particular, Applicant respectfully submits that each of the claims recites a combination of features that is substantially different than the prior art and that makes each of the claims independently patentable. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the claims of the present application are allowable

Respectfully submitted,

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